Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 06 JUL 2006

Message Text

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 01 NEW DE 11304 211159Z

43
ACTION NEA-10

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 CIAE-00 DODE-00 PM-04 H-02 INR-07 L-03

NSAE-00 NSC-05 PA-01 PRS-01 SP-02 SS-15 USIA-06 SAM-01

SAB-01 IO-10 AID-05 /074 W
---------- 014271
R 211041Z AUG 75
FM AMEMBASSY NEW DELHI
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 755

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE NEW DELHI 11304

FOLLOWING REPEAT CALCUTTA 1957 DTD 20 AUG 75 RECEIVED NEW DELHI SENT YOU

QUOTE

E.O. 11652 N/A
TAGS: PFOR, PINT, GB, IN
SUBJ: CALCUTTA PRESS ON THE BANGLADESH COUP

1. CALCUTTA PAPERS AUGUST 20 REPORT THAT INDIAN HIGH COMMISSIONER TO BANGLADESH RETURNED TO DACCA AUGUST 19 AND TELEPHONED WEST BENGAL CHIEF SECRETARY GUPTA TO CONFIRM HIS ARRIVAL. PAPERS QUOTE GOWB SOURCES AS SAYING THE INDIAN BORDER IS QTE ABSOLUTELY QUIET UNQTE AND THAT THERE HAS BEEN QTE NO MOVEMENT AT ALL FROM EITHER SIDE OF THE BORDER UNQTE. STATESMAN REPORTS THAT IN REPLY TO QUESTION WHETHER THERE HAD BEEN ANY EXODUS OF PEOPLE FROM BANGLADESH GOWB SPOKESMAN SAID QTE NONE WHATSOEVER UNQTE. PAPERS REPORT THAT BANGLADESH AIRLINE WILL OPERATE A FLIGHT BETWEEN CALCUTTA AND DACCA AUGUST 20, THE FIRST SINCE THE COUP, BUT SAY THAT INDIAN AIRLINES COULD NOT SAY WHEN THEIR SERVICE TO DACCA WOULD BE RESUMED.

2. WITH THE EXCEPTIOM OF CPI DAILY KALANTUR, CALCUTTA PRESS AUGUST 19-20 FOR THE MOST PART TAKES A MORE MODERATE LINE REGARDING THE BANGLADESH COUP. PAPERS REPORT ALL QUIET IN BANGLADESH AND
LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 02 NEW DE 11304 211159Z

NEW REGIME'S PLEDGE TO UPHOLD ITS COMMITMENTS AND MAINTAIN

Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 06 JUL 2006

Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 06 JUL 2006

FRIENDSHIP WITH ALL. STATESMAN AUGUST 19 CARRIES MEDERATE EDITORIAL WITH ONLY SLIGHT RESERVATIONS: QTE THERE IS NO DISPOSITION HERE TO PREJUDGE OR TO JUDGE WHAT HAS HAPPENED ON THE BASIS OF INADEQUATE INFORMATION...BUT A CLEAR PICTURE HAS YET TO EMERGE. INDIA REMAINS COMMITTED TO FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION BETWEEN COUNTRIES OF THIS SUBCONTINENT AND CAN ONLY HOPE THAT THE COMMITMENT IS FULLY SHARED...THE PRINCIPLES WHICH MR. MUSHTAQUE AHMED SAYS WILL GUIDE THE GOVERNMENT ARE UNEXCEPTIONABLE...UNQTE.

3. CPI KALANTUR CONTINUES TO HAMMER AWAY AT THE THEME THAT USG WAS BEHIND THE BANGLADESH COUP. KALANTUR AUGUST 20 CARRIES TWO COLUMN FRONT PAGE HEADLINE QTE CIA AND ITS LACKEYS BU KILLING MUJIB CAN'T ERASE HIS MEMORY UNQTE. STORY UNDERNEATH IS REPORT OF A JOINT CONGRESS:CPI MEETING AUGUST 18 IN CALCUTTA IN WHICH SPEAKERS WARNED AGAINST QTE CONSPIRACIES OF CIA AND IMPERIALISM DESIGNED TO DESTROY THE INDEPENDENCE OF INDIA UNQTE. WHILE CPM GANASHAKTI AND SATYAJUG HAVE UNTIL NOW BEEN NEUTRAL IN THEIR REPORTING ON BANGLADESH COUP, SATYAJUG AUGUST 20 CARRIES AN EDITORIAL WHICH APPEARS TO POINT TO THE BEGINNING OF A SHIFT, TOWARD A LINE CRITICAL OF THE COUP: QTE CAN WE REMAIN IN-DIFFERENT TO THE DEVELOPMENTS IN THIS NEIGHBORING STATE..UNQTE.

4. PRO CONGRESS AMRITA BAZAR PATRIKA AUGUST 20 CARRIES ONE COLUMN FRONT PAGE ITEM HEADLINED QT CIA PLOT BEHIND COUP UNQTE. UNDERNEATH IS UNI STORY ON CPI LEADER BHUPESH GUPTA'S REMARKS AT AUGUST 18 DELHI RALLY OF INDIAN PEACE AND SOLIDARITY COUNCIL WHICH WAS CARRIED IN MOST CALCUTTA AUGUST 19 BUT FOR SOME REASON MISSED THAT DAY BY AMRITA.KORN

UNQUOTE
SAXBE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

NNN

Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 06 JUL 2006

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: GOVERNMENT OVERTHROW, POLITICAL SITUATION, PRESS RELEASES
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 21 AUG 1975
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: KelleyW0
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1975NEWDE11304
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D750289-0590
From: NEW DELHI
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1975/newtext/t19750831/aaaabaye.tel
Line Count: 92
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION NEA
Original Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: n/a
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: KelleyW0
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 04 AUG 2003
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <04 AUG 2003 by ShawDG>; APPROVED <24 NOV 2003 by KelleyW0>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
06 JUL 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: CALCUTTA PRESS ON THE BANGLADESH COUP
TAGS: PFOR, PINT, BG, IN
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 06 JUL 2006